## Crime forum set for Nov. 5

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The timing couldn't be better.

On Monday, Nov. 5 Councilman Greg Stanton, Attorney General Terry Goddard and Phoenix Police Chief Jack Harris are holding a crime and fraud prevention forum beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Desert Vista High School cafeteria, 16440 S. 32nd St.

The forum comes as police are searching for a teen who they suspect is responsible for nine home burglaries, a man who mugged a 70-year-old last week and three men who carjacked and attempted to kidnap a man last Saturday.

While Ahwatukee Foothills is safer than many neighborhoods in the Valley, occasionally crime does take a sudden jump.

And that is when police need the public's help to take common-sense steps to prevent being a victim, like locking doors and reporting suspicious activity.

The forum will provide an opportunity for people to learn more about crimes that affect Ahwatukee Foothills and Arizona, including methamphetamine, human smuggling, drug trafficking, identity theft, consumer scams, elder abuse and Internet safety.

It will also provide an opportunity to ask questions of elected officials and police officials.

Also participating in the forum are the Better Business Bureau, the American Association of Retired Persons and others.

For more information, contact Stanton's office at (602) 262-7491.